

2020 Vision Listening Sessions

- **Throughout the past year, I held listening sessions in every county to talk about where we would like the state to be in 20 years.**
 - Since December 10, 2015 the Governor has held a listening session in each Wisconsin county. The Governor completed his final and 77th listening session on December 22, 2016.



- **From students to retirees, I heard from a diverse mix of people. Teachers, small business owners, farmers, factory workers, law enforcement, veterans, technical college staff, local officials, community activists, health care professionals, non-profit leaders, clergy, parents, union leaders, loggers, tourism bureau directors...we had a cross section of different ages, backgrounds, professions and political beliefs.** (Office of Governor Scott Walker, 12/22/16)
- **Several major issues came out of our listening sessions across the state. Student success, accountable government and rewarding work were consistent themes.** Top listening session categories were K-12 Education (Mentioned 515 times); Jobs (Mentioned 344 times); Government Reform (Mentioned 318 times); Quality of Life (Mentioned 296 times); Workforce (Mentioned 252 times). (Office of Governor Scott Walker, 12/22/16)
- **College affordability was also a major issue at our listening sessions.** College debt, tuition, and affordability were consistently mentioned at listening sessions. (Office of Governor Scott Walker, 12/22/16)
- **In addition to student success, we heard people say they want government that is accountable to the taxpayers.**
 - Pat Arens, Winnebago County Listening Session: "Continue to lower property taxes and hold the government accountable for the budget." (Office of Governor Scott Walker, 1/25/16)
 - Erik Huschitt, Green County Listening Session: "Make a system that rewards work and hold government accountable to every program and penny spent." (Office of Governor Scott Walker, 8/1/16)